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Gas Station in the Sky

1Lt David Goude

On August 30, 8 Cadets and 3 Seniors from Sq. 45 joined with 5 from Big Bear Sq. 6750 on a KC-135 from the 452nd Air Mobility



The CAP crew with SMSgt DeJauregui.

As the C-17 maneuvered with us we all took turns observing the boom operators handling the boom and linking with the C-17 to transfer fuel.

When the C-17 approached the tail of our KC-135 we felt the aft portion of the plane raise on the bow wave of the other airplane.

After the practice was completed we turned toward home and got a birds eye view of Catalina Island from 24,000 ft.

During takeoff and landing selected Cadets were allowed to observe in the cockpit. Through most of the flight we were free to explore and watch the varied task of the four crew members.

O-rides are an important part of the CAP Aerospace Education program, because you get first

hand knowledge of what takes place in the working planes of the US Air Force. I would encourage you to take advantage of these flights when they are available.

Each experience is different and something new is always around the corner.



The C-17 as viewed from the boom operators window.

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Wing.

The flight took us out over the Pacific Ocean 1/4 of the way to Hawaii to practice refueling a C-17, also from MARB.

Group 3 Composite Squadron of the Year

On Sunday, the 9th of July, Inland Empire Group 3 held its Dining-Out Banquet at the El Rancho Verde Royal Vista Golf Course. Squadron 45 was well represented both in attendance and in Awards. Capt Cathy Neubauer received Moral Leadership Officer of the Year, 1 Lt Carrie Ol-



son received Logistics Officer of the Year, 1 Lt David Goude was Aerospace Officer of the Year and Lt Col Jessica Black received Group 3 Staff Officer of the Year. Squadron 45 was proud to also receive the Composite Squadron of the year award. Well done 45!

New Members and Promotions



SM Karen Black
SM Jena Keiter
SM Jeanne Vasquez
Cadet Jonathan Watson
Cadet Jessica Black
Cadet Sharon Arellano

"There are no shortcuts to any-
place worth going."

-Beverly Sills



C/Amn Courtenay Franklin
C/Amn Marissa Strauss



C/A1C Ransom Sammons



C/TSgt Mike Goude



C/Capt Eric Redweik



Capt Elizabeth Goude



Maj Michael Boyko
Maj Robert Nagby

Past in Review

If you thought we were busy these past 3 months, you
were so right!

July 9 Group Banquet

(See Article page 1)

14-16 Basic Cadet School

We hosted and help staff the Group 3 BCS event with
Maj Jason Markiwitz as Commander. It was an out-
standing event with 36 students/cadets completing the
course. 17 cadets and 15 Seniors were responsible for
creating a learning environment for the cadets.

29-30 Specialty Track Training

We hosted a Wing event for Senior Staff training.
Classes were held in Logistics, Professional Develop-
ment, Public Affairs, Aerospace, Safety, Recruiting and
Retention. Cadets helped with set up, Continental
Breakfast and Lunch. They earned Squadron Credit for
participating.

August 5-13 CAWG Encampment

5 of our cadets participated at San Luis Obispo this year.
Cadets Boyko, Frymire and Strauss attended as
participants, (See her article, page 3)
C/CMSgt Varela was Logistics Officer and
C/CTSgt Goude was Admin NCO.

30 KC135 O Rides

(See Article, front page)

September 23-24 Training Leaders of Cadets

Again, Sq 45 at MAR Base hosted and
participated in this Wing event.

There were 2 quotes that I thought
summed up the event.

The first from Gen George Patton:

"Don't tell people how to do things, tell them what to do
and let them surprise you with their results".

The other from a cadet who helped at that event:

"Instead of seniors supporting cadet activities, it was
cadets supporting senior activities. It was fun"

Coming Events

Corona Airshow

Oct 7

- 0700 to 1600
- Form 31's
- no cost
- lunch provided.

We will be helping Sq 29 with parking and the Information booth. BDUs - uniform of the day

Don't forget the sunscreen!

Sq 45 Group Photo Monday night

Oct 9

- 6:30 pm
- Blues Uniform
- Look Sharp!

Edwards AFB Air Show

Oct 27-29

**Oct 10 participation
deadline**

See flier for more
information

Mission Skills Nov 11-12

Senior Training event, cadets can take limited classes or can participate by helping with logistics/hosting duties and earn credit to their account

Watch for the Fact
Sheet

OPSEC Training

All senior members and cadets in the California Wing need to take the Online Operations Security Training class. This training is mandatory for CAP and can be accessed at:

<https://tests.cap.af.mil/opsec>.

This is a secure website and the initial screen will ask some questions to verify your identity.

Training takes usually less than 20 minutes and concludes with an opportunity to agree to protect sensitive information.

If you have questions or problems accessing the web site, please contact Capt Elizabeth Goude, Public Affairs Officer at 909 838-0118

Aerospace Education

Recommended reading

747

By Joe Sutter

"Creating the worlds first jumbo jet and other adventure's from a life in aviation."

Smithsonian Books 2006

Encampment 2006

By C/Amn Marissa Strauss

Encampment, Wow! What an experience. We did tons of stuff there. We started out by checking in, which was pretty intimidating. Immediately we were "familiarizing" ourselves with the SOP or Standard Operating Procedures.

If you can make it through check-in and your first inspection you'll be OK for the rest of the week. Personally for me it wasn't as bad as I thought it would be, not to say it wasn't bad, but I guess I had been well warned.

Throughout the encampment we learned things about marching and drill, and how to properly roll/fold/hang every article of clothing that you had.

There were also classes that we attended like General Air Force Structure, Job Opportunities in the

Air Force, Customs and Courtesies, and all sorts of other things.

We also had the opportunity to play some volleyball. Around the second or third day our flight (Echo flight) started to practice for the volleyball competition. We were able to actually compete with other flights within our squadron, then the winning flight from our squadron would play other squadrons. Our squadron (104) won, and it was exciting to be a part of that.

We went through a military obstacle course, and that was by far my favorite day. Throughout the obstacle course we were just screaming and cheering everyone on and it was great to see our flight come together as a team. It was such a rush. Our flight won honor flight for that day for "outstanding motivation and *esprit de corps*."

There were many other things we were able to do including a drill competition, firing an M-16 rifle, O-rides, PT in the mornings and inspections.

I went to encampment to learn more about CAP and to be a better cadet as a whole. I have never experienced anything quite like encampment but it was a great experience and I didn't want to leave when it ended. I could go on and on about the things we did, but suffice it to say, I had a great time and would encourage everyone to go.

WMAO Duty for 45

During the month of September Cpt. Cathy Neubauer and C/SSgt. Mike Goude volunteered to serve as Wing Mission Alerting Officers. WMAOs are liaisons between the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and CAP incident Commanders. This is a service that is provided 24/7 and a duty is usually 48 hours long.

WMAOs take calls from the AFRCC and find an available IC to coordinate a search. A call may be



for a missing aircraft, an active Emergency Locator Transmitter, the Office of Emergency Services, or a Personal Locator Beacon.

Both Capt. Neubauer and Cadet Goude were a bit nervous at the onset, and waking up at 4 in the morning to take a call was unnerving. However calls were varied and they both would not mind volunteering again.

**50
Years**

**Sq 45 is the oldest Squadron in
California, founded in 1957.**

**We will be celebrating our Anniversary
at the Hap Arnold Club, MARB, on
Monday night, January 22, 2007.**

**Watch for more info and set aside this
date to celebrate with us.**

Commander's Corner LtCol Jessica Black

Greetings,

I'd like to share a few thoughts on my current status as both your Squadron Commander and that of the Group Deputy Commander. Some of you have expressed concerns that I won't have time to be with SQ45 now. A valid concern but, I want to assure you that my priorities are with Sq45 first.

In many ways, my Group role will actually bring more activities and recognition to SQ45. Sq45 won Composite Squadron of the year this past year for a reason. We are a vibrant, active, growing, and very visible squadron. The Group is envious of our successes and wants to tap into our strengths to bring those same successes to the entire group. So, it's not just me, our entire squadron has become a model and the flagship for the Group. What an

honor! Wherever Group 3 activities are taking place you will find Sq45 Seniors and Cadets in positions of leadership.

I may not be in attendance as often on a Monday night but, rest assured, I am very aware of all that is going on. I am in frequent communications with your Deputy Commanders and other Sq45 staff members and am providing my guidance to them as needed.

The last phrase, "as needed," is important to focus on. A successful leader must be able to delegate with confidence. I do not believe in micro-managing. The staff members of Sq45 are very capable of running their programs. A very important part of the Cadet Program is Leadership training and opportunities. That goes for the Seniors as well. It

may not be a formal part of the program but it is just as important.

As much as I appreciate all the compliments bestowed on me for my part in the squadron successes, to be truly successful, the squadron would need to be able to carry on without me in my absence, whether for a week or permanently.

So, my goal is ensure that you, the staff, are so capable of carrying on in my absence, that you will do just that, without a hiccup, when the time comes for me to actually leave. I am already confident in your capabilities. You are a dynamic and outstanding staff.



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